

## **SEPARATOR PLATE WITH HEAD LOAD/UNLOAD**

### **Abstract of the Disclosure**

5           An apparatus provides improved positional control for an access element  
moveable adjacent a rotatable surface, such as a data transducing head adjacent a  
data recording surface of a data storage device. A circumferentially extending  
windage plate is adapted for placement adjacent the rotatable surface. The plate  
includes an edge surface configured to extend adjacent a movement path of an  
10       access element across the rotatable surface. The edge surface supports a ramp  
structure adapted to receivingly support the access element at a position away from  
the rotatable surface.